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CONTINUING PATENT APPLICATION
TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b) is a:

☒ Continuation ☐ Division ☐ Continuation-In-Part (CIP)

of the above-identified copending prior application in which no patenting, abandonment, or termination of proceedings has occurred. Priority to the above-identified prior application is hereby claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 120 for this continuing application. The entire disclosure of the above-identified prior applications is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying continuing application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.

☐ Applicant claims small entity status under 37 CFR 1.27.

Enclosed are:

- ☒ Specification, Claim(s), and Abstract (65 pages).
- ☒ Preliminary Amendment (1 page).
- ☒ Copy of Declaration and Power of Attorney filed in parent application (1 page).

- ☒ Copy of Assignment of the invention to Takeda Chemical Industries, Ltd. from parent application.
- ☒ Copy of Associate Power of Attorney (2 pgs.).
- ☐ Request for application not to be published with certification under 35 USC 122(b)(2)(B)(i).
- ☐ Application Data Sheet (37 CFR 1.76).

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Basic Fee				\$740.00	\$740.00
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- ☐ A check in the amount of \$0.00 to cover the filing fee is enclosed.
- ☒ The required filing fees are not enclosed but will be submitted in response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application.
- ☐ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

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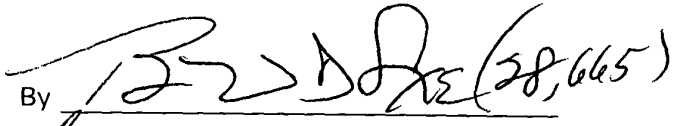
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